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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA. FRIDAY, DECEMBER, 31, 1915.

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Partly cloudy tonight and Sat-
urday, probably becoming
warmer Saturday, probably be-
coming unsettled and warmer
Sunday; lowest temperature
tonight about 32 degrees;
light, variable winds.

WILL NOT CLAIM ANY IMMUNITY

Congressman Buchanan Will
Go to New York and
Make Plea

ACCUSED IN THE PLOT

Others Charged Announce Abandon-
ment of Their Reported Fight to
Escape Jurisdiction.

New York, Dec. 31.—Congressman Frank Buchanan has capitulated to the government. Word came from Washington last night to Federal District Attorney Marshall that the Illinois Representative will forego his expected immunity battle before the over house of Congress, and if necessary in the District of Columbia courts. Buchanan will come to New York and plead to the indictment charging him with having engaged in unlawful acts in connection with the propaganda of Labor's National Peace Council. The Congressman reached his decision after Mr. Marshall had sent a warrant for his arrest to Washington and upon advice of Representative Rainey, of Illinois, who conferred with him last night with Assistant Attorney General Todd, Buchanan is now convinced, it is said, that expediency favors his seeking immunity from arrest because of privileges granted Congressmen under the Constitution of the United States.

Former Congressman H. Robert Fowler, Henry B. Martin and Herman Schelleis, defendants with Buchanan and four others, also announced an abandonment of their reported fight to escape coming into the New York jurisdiction.

The three men will appear to-day in Washington before United States Commissioner Taylor. They will plead guilty, and will give bond for their appearance in New York.

Representative Buchanan may come to New York today. He will undoubtedly plead not guilty. It is understood he will be released either on own recognizance or on a nominal bond. The accused legislator is anxious to return to Washington as soon as possible, in order that he may face his impeachment charges against United States Attorney Marshall. Because of the change of front by the defendants, warrants for the arrest of Buchanan and the others will be served.

The decision of Buchanan and his associates will expedite their trial. Defendants may be given an opportunity to presenting their case before a Federal judge and jury within weeks.

It is possible that they will attack the validity of the indictment which was brought under the Sherman anti-trust measure was wrenched when the indictment was drawn.

INDUSTRIES OF NEWPORT NEWS

Yard Paid \$3,700,000 During Past Twelve Months

Newport News, Va., Dec. 31.—An estimate of the immensity of the operations at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company's plant may be gained from figures just issued. The approximate value of work on hand at the yard is \$27,000,000, it is officially stated, and includes government and corporation construction.

During the past twelve months the total of the yards has aggregated \$3,700,000, and there are now 10,000 men employed in the various departments. This is the greatest number of men employed since the shipyard was completed.

The increased work at the shipyard has been the direct cause of an extraordinary influx of people. According to Hill's directory, which has just been issued, there are about 25,000 inhabitants in this city. This is a million and a half more than in 1910, when the government census was taken.

OPERA HOUSE.

Ready for Initial Performance To-
morrow Afternoon at Three
O'clock.

The New Opera House is now in readiness to receive its initial audience at the opening matinee tomorrow commencing at 3.00 p. m.

While the management has tried to curtail no expense to ensure the absolute comfort, and congenial surroundings that are so necessary to make a success of such an undertaking, and they feel sure they will receive from the citizens of Alexandria a competent support that will amply repay them, for what they call in a modest way, the herculean task of revivifying the interest of the inhabitants in this old and historic play house.

It is intended each week to supply the best of pictures, combined with a vaudeville entertainment that cannot be surpassed, or equalled by anything that has here-to-fore been produced on this stage.

In brief the policy is, A-1. pictures, A-1. vaudeville, and A-1. road shows. In putting this class of entertainment before the public, care has been taken in regard to the prices of admission, and they have been placed on such a basis, that they are within the reach of everyone.

The New Opera House will be open every week-day evening, the first performance starting at 7:30 p. m., and the second show at 9:15 p. m., and a regular Saturday matinee at 3 p. m.

Advertisements in this paper will give from week to week the different bills that will be produced for your enjoyment, and the Management feels confident that the excellent standard that they have set with regard to all shows that they will present, will meet with the approval of the patrons of the house.

REV. DR. D. A. WILLS DEAD

Deceased on Monday Occasion of
Pulpit of Second Presbyterian
Church

The Rev. Dr. David A. Wills, for many years a chaplain in the army, died yesterday in his apartment the Cecil in Washington. Dr. Wills retired from the service a few years ago with the rank of captain. He was born in Gettysburg, Pa., January 7, 1822, and received his education in Tuscan College, Tennessee, and the South Carolina Theological Seminary. He is survived by four brothers and two sister—Judge J. T. Wills, of Gainesville, Fla.; the Rev. Daniel Wills, Astoria, L. I.; John Wills and Nesbitt Wills, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Mrs. Carolina Field, wife of Capt. John M. Field, U. S. A., and Miss Bella Wills.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, Washington. Interment will be in Glenwood Cemetery.

Dr. Wills had many friends and acquaintances in Alexandria, he having during the past ten or fifteen years occupied the pulpit of the Second Presbyterian Church at different times.

REQUISITION ISSUED

John Henderson, Under Arrest in New
Jersey, Charged With Murder
in Fairfax County

Richmond, Dec. 31.—Jack Henderson, who is alleged to have shot and killed a man in Fairfax county some time ago, is in custody at Camden, N. J., and on information received from the Camden police Sheriff James R. Allison, of Fairfax, came to Richmond yesterday and obtained a requisition for the man supposed to be the fugitive murderer.

The prisoner at Camden answers the description of the man wanted for the crime in Fairfax. The indictment for murder is against John, alias Jack, Henderson, and the sheriff is convinced that the man apprehended is the slayer. The requisition on Governor James F. Fielder was delivered to Sheriff Allison yesterday afternoon, and he left last night for New Jersey.

AN APPEAL

If those having any small articles of worsteds or "odd and ends" of like material which they are willing to devote to a worthy cause, will kindly send them to Mrs. Virginia Smoot, 120 south Fairfax street, the same will be forwarded to Rome, Italy, to be knitted into mufflers, wristbands, etc., for the Italian soldiers at the front.

BRITISH VESSEL BLOWN TO PIECES

Cruiser Natal Destroyed By
Internal Explosion in
Harbor

300 LIVES ARE LOST

Third English Warship Destroyed,
Presumably by Internal Explosions
While in Harbor.

London, Dec. 31.—The British cruiser Natal was blown to pieces in its harbor yesterday afternoon with a probable loss of about 300 lives.

The official statement from the admiralty says the ship was wrecked "by an internal explosion." The admiralty statement reported that 400 of the Natal's crew of about 725 were saved. It is believed many, if not all of these were ashore when the cruiser was sunk.

An immediate investigation was ordered, but the results have not been made public. News of the disaster was withheld from publication for nearly twenty-four hours until the admiralty had received accurate statements as to the number of survivors and the probable loss of life.

This same precaution was taken last May when the Princess Irene was blown to bits by a similar explosion in Sheerness harbor. Officials explained at that time that the news was withheld to prevent the circulation of wild reports concerning the origin of the explosion.

The Natal is the third British warship blown up, presumably by internal explosion, while in harbor.

In addition to the vessels blown up in their harbors, the British battleship Formidable was destroyed on January 1, 1915, by an explosion in the English Channel. It was never determined definitely whether a mine or internal explosion sent her to the bottom.

The Natal displaced 13,660 tons. She was built in 1903 at Barrow and had a speed of about thirty knots. She was 480 feet long and had a 73-foot beam.

She carried six 9.2-inch guns and four 7.5-inch guns, as well as lesser armament, and two torpedo tubes.

GIVEN THIRTY DAYS

Colored Woman Locked up to Answer
Charge of Perjury

In the Corporation Court today Sandy Brooks, colored, was declared guilty of the charge of cutting his wife, and was sentenced to serve thirty days in jail.

Upon the order of Judge Barley Lena Brooks, colored, was locked up to answer the charge of perjury. It is alleged that she induced a colored boy to swear falsely in the case.

NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS

Gas bills for quarter ending Dec. 1, 1915, having been delivered, this is to notify all gas consumers that all bills paid on or before January 1, 1916, will be entitled to a discount of 30 cents per 1000 cubic feet. After that date no discount will be allowed and all delinquents will be required to make an early settlement.

By order of Committee on Light.

J. B. WALLER

Clerk of Gas

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

On the morning of January 1st, 1916, there will be an extra train leave Alexandria for Washington at 12:30 a. m., and also an extra train leave Washington for Alexandria at 1:15 a. m.

WASHINGTON-VIRGINIA Rwy.

FROWNS ON BILLY SUNDAY.

Cardinal Gibbons Voices Disapproval
of Evangelist's Methods.

Baltimore, Dec. 31.—Cardinal Gibbons expressed sorrow last night that the "purport of his conversation with the Rev. Dr. George C. Peck, pastor of First Methodist Episcopal Church, regarding the Billy Sunday campaign was misunderstood," and declared that he had not "authorized the sending of letters to Catholic pastors asking prayer for the success of the coming campaign in Baltimore."

The Cardinal said he did not know Dr. Peck was an accredited representative of the prayer meeting committee of the Sunday campaign management and received him only as a minister, calling as would any other individual. The prelate says he expressed no positive opinion whatever on the soundness of unsoundness of Billy Sunday's doctrines, but merely remarked that his doctrines seemed less heterodox than those of many Protestant ministers.

"I received Dr. Peck," said the Cardinal, "very kindly, as I always receive visitors, but gave no indorsement of Billy Sunday's doctrines or methods. While not condemning all of Billy Sunday's utterances and doctrines and while not giving any explicit approval, I could not and cannot approve the blasphemous utterances, the coarse epithets and the theatrical antics of Mr. Sunday."

The Cardinal was asked if he objected to the prayers of the Catholic clergy being sought for the success of the Sunday campaign. He replied that he had no objection. "Prayers are always good," he said. But he stated firmly that he had not authorized any letter being sent to the priests under his jurisdiction. This is the point that the Cardinal emphasized strongly and which seemed to have created much discussion among the priests of the archdiocese.

They, like others, seemed to infer from the public statement of Dr. Peck that the minister had been given this permission. "The committee had best rescind," said the Cardinal "any order given for the printing or sending of those letters. The Catholic clergy are not likely to pay any attention to them."

Explaining the stand of the Catholic church on the coming campaign, the Cardinal added:

"The members of the Catholic church know that their church is the only divinely commissioned body for the world's enlightenment about the teachings of revelation. They know that Mr. Sunday possesses no divine credentials to teach them the truth. They do not need to be commanded to keep away from the Sunday meetings. Mr. Sunday is always kind to the Catholic church in his references and we mean no discourtesy to him by keeping away from him and his meetings and his influence."

"The campaign committee is wasting its time in trying to get Catholic approval and Catholic attendance."

It is possible that the Cardinal, in his sermon at the Cathedral next Sunday at the 11 o'clock mass, will touch on this subject. He has chosen for his topic on that occasion "The Universality of the Catholic Church."

A writer in the Baltimore American gives the following reasons why Catholics cannot vie with Billy Sunday:

1. All the Catholic teachings condemn such a participation of any Catholic, clergyman or layman, in any affair of the "Billy Sunday" kind; excommunication is the penalty. See all the Catholic authors—theologians, encyclopedias, publications, papers.

2. No Roman Catholic, lay or clerical, may encourage, directly or indirectly, such a movement as "Billy Sunday's."

3. No Roman Catholic may assist at any of the meetings of "Billy," even for curiosity's sake.

4. No Roman Catholic may contribute.

The fundamental reason for the foregoing is that from the Catholic standpoint, "Billy Sunday" is a heretic, although he does say some true things. Hence, not all that a heretic says is false.

A merchant pleaded guilty, through his attorney in the Police Court this morning, to a charge of violating the ten-hour labor law in working females during the Christmas holidays, and was fined five dollars.

Oysters in All Styles At The Ram-
Matinee.

WILL BE NO BREAK WITH AUSTRIA

Danger of Severance of Dip-
lomatic Relations is
Now Past

MEETS CHIEF ISSUES

Disavowal of Ancona's Sinking While
Passengers Were Aboard and In-
demnify For Lives Lost.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Danger of a severance of diplomatic relations between Austria and the United States is past. Austria has "substantially" complied with American demands regarding the Ancona case.

This is practically the unanimous view taken in Washington today. It lacks only the final formal approval of President Wilson after he reads the Austrian reply. Further negotiations and exchange of notes are probable, but only on minor points regarding reparation for American lives.

The chief issues are met by Austria.

A wave of relief swept over the State Department following publication of the unofficial text of the Austrian reply. The official text is on the cables today from Ambassador Penfield. Transmitted in sections and of considerable length, it is believed that the entire note will be in Secretary Lansing's hands by nightfall. The Austrian reply also bears out dispatches from Vienna and Berlin that Austria would meet the Americans demands and "go as far as possible" to preserve peaceful relations.

The three demands of the United States, disavowal of the Ancona's sinking while passengers were still aboard, punishment of the submarine commander and reparation for American lives lost, officials declare, have been in effect, granted by Austria.

Officials are especially elated because Austria went even farther than the American demands by giving assurances for future conduct of her submarine warfare according to international law in these words:

"The Austro-Hungarian government, too, can positively concur in the principle that enemy private vessels, so far as they do not flee or offer resistance, shall not be destroyed before the persons aboard are secured."

MEMORIAL ERECTED

A handsome hand carved walnut credence table has been placed in St. Paul's Church as a memorial to the late Mrs. Berryman, a former resident of this city and a communicant of the church. The inscription on the tablet is as follows: "In the glory of God, and in loving memory of Charlotte Louise Cavenov Berryman, Entered into Life Eternal, April 13, 1914, the gift of her children."

NEW YEAR'S AT RICHMOND.

Marguerite Clark will be the unusual attraction at the Richmond Theatre at both matinee and evening performances in the powerful and heart-gripping drama of "The Crucible," by Mark Lee Luther, the portrayal of a soul's ordeal in the melting-pot of suffering, from which fiery furnace it emerges unscathed and strengthened by its agonies. This popular and fascinating actress plays the part of little Jean Fanshaw, at first hoyden and tom-boy, unjustly condemned to a reformatory, who later triumphs over the shame of her imprisonment and the sordid corruptness of her environment, returning good for evil to those who worked havoc with her life. Miss Clark is one of the actresses who have made the Paramount Pictures famous, her reputation preceding her, and any production in which she appears is patronized by crowds made up, not only of the usual picture-going public, but also those who remain at home until attractions such as "The Crucible" are offered. A great treat is in store for all attending the Richmond Theatre at both performances tomorrow.

RUSSIANS ON OFFENSIVE.

Roumania About to Enter War
Against Central Powers.

London, Dec. 31.—Fragmentary information from various sources indicates that a great battle is in progress on the southern part of the Russian front, the most important action for many months.

Although the official reports state merely that the battle is proceeding Petrograd critics regard the situation as the most interesting that has developed on that battle line. The outcome of the gigantic struggle now in progress, they say, will be a complete change in the military positions there, and probably within a few days.

Russian attacks against the Austro-German positions on the Bessarabian frontier continue. The Russian offensive began north of Toporoutz where the Russians are attempting to advance between the Pruth and Toporoutz forest. The Russians have begun another offensive on the Diester. Troops are being massed also near Tarnopol in Eastern Galicia.

The Russian offensive has been undertaken at the beginning of what promises to be the most severe winter which Russia has experienced for several years. This is taken here to be a clear indication of its importance as bearing upon the war situation as a whole.

In explanation of this mysterious movement, the Pall Mall Gazette prints the following from its Petrograd correspondent:

Russian joint operations with Roumania are on the point of beginning. Roumania will fight with us, although not for us. Her siding with the entente is not the result of French or English sympathies, but an endeavor to realize the Roumanian dream of sovereignty over Bukovina and Transylvania.

"As preparation for Roumania's entry into the war, Russia's aim is to reconquer Bukovina for the benefit of her new ally. This task can be accomplished in a few weeks."

The Roumanians will then fortify the new province and march with the Russians through Bulgaria and Transylvania, while simultaneously the Italians, French, British and Serbians will deal blows on other fronts."

TENTATIVE PEACE PROGRAM

Berlin Tageblatt Says it Was Un-
doubtedly Inspired

Berlin, Dec. 31.—The tentative peace program published by a Zurich newspaper and circulated by the Wolff News Agency, though not an official statement from the German government, was "undoubtedly inspired" the Berlin Tageblatt declares.

The Tageblatt expressed the view that the possible terms of peace suggested by the Neue Zürcher Zeitung probably were obtained from well-informed persons in Germany.

The Tageblatt directed attention to the fact that the Wolff bureau, in circulating the peace program, had taken pains to state that it was not official.

"This statement of the Wolff bureau is thoroughly right," said the Tageblatt. "Nothing is known about the article in Berlin. But the person in question (meaning the writer) says in this article what he or she more or less completely heard in supposedly well-informed circles in Germany. The statement of possible peace terms is doubtless inspired. It is dictated by the thought that it will serve a good cause in bringing about peace."

Washington, Dec. 31.—The peace program circulated by the Wolff bureau reached America Wednesday. It suggested the evacuation of Belgium and northern France by Germany, the establishment of a Polish kingdom dominated by Germany, the payment of a war indemnity of about \$3,600,000,000 by the allies, restoration of Germany's seized colonies and certain guaranties from Belgium.

In official circles in London it was generally regarded as a "peace-feeler."

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Consolidated Quarry Company will be held at the principal office of the Company, No. 111 S. Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Va., on Monday January 10th, 1916 at 2 p. m. to elect Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

F. W. PRATT, Vice President.

STEAMED OYSTERS AT JACOB
BRILL'S, FOOT OF KING STREET.

WEST VIRGINIA AND THE DEBT

Judge Says U. S. Supreme
Court Cannot Enforce
Judgment

ADDRESSES THE BAR

Declares Solution of Proposition De-
pends on Certain Elementary Con-
stitutional Principles.

Clarksburg, W. V., Dec. 31.—That the United States Supreme Court would not and could not enforce the judgment for \$12,000,000 against the State of West Virginia in the Virginia debt case, and that to attempt to do so would be revolutionary, was the opinion expressed in an address delivered here this week before the West Virginia Bar Association by Judge T. P. Jacobs, of Martinsville, W. Va.

Judge Jacobs cited many authorities, and declared that a solution of the proposition would depend on certain elementary constitutional principles. This, he said, in the main are:

A state in the Union is a sovereignty in all things not delegated to the central government, that a State cannot be coerced into the payment of any debt; that the Federal judiciary has no power or authority to compel the levy or collection of taxes either by Congress or by a State; that the debt of a State, unlike that between persons, is only a debt of honor; and not an obligation; that the judgments and decrees of the Supreme Court in such cases are only advisory and addressed to the sense of honor of the litigants, that the court has disclaimed any power to compel the levy and collection of taxes by a State for any purpose, and that the officers of the State government are not coercible by any authority.

"If the court shall be called on to enforce the decree, how and against what will it enforce the same?" asked Judge Jacobs.

"A levy of execution upon personalty owned by the State in its sovereign capacity will be fruitless, as we feel sure the court by no processes will infringe on State sovereignty."

"The court cannot, by writ of mandamus or other writ against the State Legislature, compel it to levy and collect taxes any more than it can compel Congress to levy and collect taxes. And if so unexpected a thing shall happen the Legislature without contempt, may refuse to obey and decline to make the levy or authorize the collection."

"The Governor of the State cannot be proceeded against as for contempt for he has no power to levy and collect taxes or appropriate the same for any purpose. He cannot be guilty of contempt for failing to do a thing he cannot do."

"Again, no process can serve to sequestrate the private property of the citizens of the State, for no power of the national government can constitutionally seize upon private property. The court itself has said this revolutionary thing cannot be done."

Judge Jacobs said that among the rights not waived by a State is the right to deal with her own debts and obligations.

"It thus remains forever true that a State may repudiate a so-called debt—and sometimes repudiation is the only remedy against a great wrong," he declared.

\$13,500 ALEXANDRIA BONDS.

The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund will purchase from the bondholders one thousand dollars, (\$1,000) coupon, four per cent bonds, of the issue of 1902, and twelve thousand and five hundred dollars, (\$12,500) of coupon four per cent bonds, of the issue of 1908. Denominations \$500 and \$1,000. Bids will be received up to 11 o'clock Wednesday, January 5, 1916. The payment will be made immediately, or upon presentation of bonds. Bidders will bid at a flat rate, which will include the four days' ended January 1-5, 1916.

THOMAS A. FISHER,
Chairman Commissioners
of Sinking Fund.

NEW STORE HOURS: Beginning Monday, December 27, Open 8:20 to 5:30 Saturday to 6 p. m.

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MERRYMAKING TONIGHT NECROLOGY FOR 1915 SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

New Year to Be Greeted Within and Without Doors—Watch Night Services

Alexandria will greet the advent of the new year with merrymaking of all sorts, many private and public entertainments, dances, and receptions being on tonight's program. The streets will be thronged with crowds who will celebrate the occasion with blowing of horns, ringing of bells, and the employing of every conceivable noise-making device. Tomorrow many people will keep open house and the day will be observed as a general holiday. Most of the business houses will close at noon and all city and government offices and the banks will have their doors shut during the entire day.

Tonight at the Trinity Methodist and Second Baptist churches "watch night" services will be held, to usher in 1916. At the latter church the congregation will be given a big reception from 7:30 o'clock until 11, when religious services will be commenced, and continued until midnight. Rev. O. W. Triplett, pastor, will conduct the ceremonies. At Trinity Church, religious exercises in observance of the passing away of the old year and the advent of the new will be conducted by the Rev. Lytleton M. Ferguson, pastor. Tomorrow morning at 7:30 and 7 o'clock, respectively, two Episcopal churches, Christ Church and St. Paul's Church, will hold early Communion services, and at Christ Church, services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

CHILDREN TREATED

Seminole Tribe of Red Men Makes 250 Happy.

Seminole Tribe, No. 35, Improved Order of Red Men, treated 250 children to a Christmas festival last night at the Young People's Building, where four large Christmas trees had been erected and decorated for the occasion, and the whole auditorium draped with other appropriate decorations. The program consisted of recitations and musical numbers, and visit from "Santa Claus," who gave to every child present, a stocking of fruit, nuts, and candy, two toys, and an article of clothing. The committee in charge consisted of Walter S. Nicklin, Roger C. Sullivan, Arthur J. Butcher, Conway C. Brawner, Harry H. Newton, and D. Worth Stanton, assisted by the following ladies: Mrs. George Shelton, Mrs. H. H. Newton, Mrs. R. C. Sullivan, Mrs. L. D. Sullivan, Mrs. H. L. Darnell, Miss Helen Davis, Miss Kitty Adecock, Miss Ellen Ayers, and Miss Lillian Davis.

PRESENTED WITH PURSE

Other Reminders from Sunday School of First Baptist Church

At the celebration of the First Baptist Sunday school last night the Rev. W. F. Watson, pastor, was presented with a purse of gold by the congregation of the church, the presentation speech being made by James R. Mansfield, former superintendent of the school. The present superintendent, Samuel W. Pitts, was presented with a ring by the school. Dr. Watson making the presentation, and N. L. Williamson, teacher of the Baraca Bible class, was the recipient of a hand some automobile lunch set given by his class. Dr. Watson presenting this also. The place was decorated with Christmas greens and an interesting out. The Sunday school pupils all received fruit, nuts and candy.

NEGRO PLEADS GUILTY

James R. Towns, colored, haled into police court this morning on a charge of stealing jewelry from the residence of Mrs. John Tackett, 211 south St. Asaph street. The negro pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to a fine of \$20 and a thirty days' stay in jail.

MILLINERY CLEARANCE

To make room for Spring Millinery, we will sell all trimmed and untrimmed hats, below cost. Special lot at \$1.00
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Adult Alexandrians Who Have Passed Away During Year Which Closes Tonight.

As has been the custom of the Gazette over a third of a century, a list of the deaths of Alexandrians during the year now about to close is published.

Asher, Gordon B. January 4.
Adams, Charles S. D. February 2.
Ashby, Gertrude W. March 19.
Arnold, W. A. March 21.
Aitchison, Emma, August 9.
Atkinson, Janie L. November 14.
Adecock, Robert W. December 18.
Bashford, Philip, January 6.
Burke, Edmonda January 12.
Brady, Susan A. January 12.
Brooks, George, January 19.
Boothe, Cornelia G. March 6.
Bingham, Maggie E. March 16.
Boffett, George, March 21.
Butler, John J. April 2.
Bell, Margaret A. April 4.
Bishop, Herbert S. April 24.
Brown, Sarah A. July 12.
Burke, Martha J. August 8.
Boyd, Delia October 5.
Bruin, W. E. October 20.
Bashford, Sarah A. November 14.
Bentley, Maurice L. November 15.
Beavers, George December 7.
Creighton, J. A. January 15.
Connor, Margaret W. February 13.
Cline, Alice R. March 17.
Crupper, Elizabeth A. April 4.
Claggett, W. E. N. April 7.
Carr, Marshall April 15.
Channey, Virginia H. April 16.
Coombs, Thomas P. April 22.
Cohen, Edna May 11.
Claxton, William R. August 15.
Creagan, Michael August 21.
Cutler, H. J. August 30.
Clapdore, Frances September 4.
Craven, George T. October 3.
Dameron, E. K. January 10.
Dodd, Minnie A. March 9.
Delahay, Laura M. April 11.
Dekins, Mary October 28.
Davis, Alice E. December 9.
Edwards, Joseph V. January 8.
Edwards, Emily February 11.
Eveleth, James March 29.
Errie, Henry July 28.
Emerson, Wm., T. October 15.
Edwards, Nellie R. November 22.
Evans, E. J. December 5.
Estes, William T. December 15.
Flannery, Hattie January 10.
Fox, Mary Otey March 20.
Ford, Orlando N. March 27.
Fugitt, Harriet A. April 13.
Fegan, Ellen May 7.
Ferguson, Wm. A. June 12.
Flinn, Francis V. July 19.
Fairfax, Susanna L. November 19.
French, George December 12.
Gensmer, Jerry March 9.
Griffin, George R. May 20.
Gonzberger, Segmond June 28.
Gardner, Virginia July 11.
Groves, T. A. September 8.
Green, James W. September 28.
Gray, Charles B. October 8.
Green, Augustus October 8.
Gaston, John S. October 26.
Goodrich, John S. November 4.
Garnett, Mrs. Sallie B. November 10.
Gibson, Joseph E. December 12.
Hunter, William H. February 14.
Herfurth, Gertrude B. February 20.
Henderson, John W. April 26.
Hall, Hobell April 17.
Hagart, Sallie J. May 30.
Head, Harry June 8.
Hoeff, Lewis June 10.
Hoenstein, Christina July 12.
Hoblitzell, Cora L. July 20.
Hinken, George H. September 28.
Harlow, Helen October 8.
Harrison, Mary A. October 27.
Hoff, J. Wallace November 30.
Igon, Michael August 4.
Jones, Bettie K. E. January 18.
Jones, Eliza March 24.
Jackson, Josiah S. June 24.
Jacobs, Florence A. June 25.
Jeffries, William R. July 11.
King, James A. February 27.
King, Mary A. March 13.
Kane, Elizabeth April 12.
Kelley, George May 10.
Keegan, George T. September 28.
Lewis, Evelyn March 26.
Lambert, Ernest D. May 19.
Lagg, James E. July 19.
Lyles, Carrie July 22.
Latham, Richard M. July 22.
Lyles, Alice M. September 15.
Lyles, Alexander November 3.
Martin, Joseph January 6.
Mumford, Frederick January 6.
Markell Robert February 23.
Murphy, Patrick J. February 29.
Milburn, Liers C. M. March 13.
Monros, Robert L. March 29.
McAden, Henry April 5.
Miles, Jane C. April 9.
Mills, Gertrude April 10.
Monros, Clarence May 13.
Moran, Annie E. June 1.
Murray, Alexander July 9.
Marshall, Charles B. August 1.
Miller, John R. September 20.
McIntyre, Emily E. December 17.
Huntleigh, Thomas J. December 28.
Newman, Esther E. June 22.

Interesting News Notes About People of Alexandria—Happenings in Society.

Miss Caroline C. Wattles entertained a number of young friends at the home of her parents in Prince street. Among those present were Misses Rosella Burke, Elizabeth Boothe, Charlotte Kemper, Josephine Gregg, Muriel Hoxton, Eliza Cox, Frances Cox, Mary Fauntelroy, Frances Fauntelroy, Olga de Beck, Sophia de Beck, Elizabeth Schneider, Edmonia Baker, Phoebe Fuller, Elizabeth Bryant, Edith Phillips, Ester Lambert, Dorothy Morton, and Messrs. Edward Oliver, Robert Wheat, William Fuller, Urban S. Lambert, Jr., William Morton, Moncure Morton, Paul Barrett, Walter Barrett, Chester Pierce, Edwin Pierce, Joel Leadbeater, James N. Reid, Jr., Louis C. Barley, Jr., and Charles C. Carlin, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Knight and daughter, Ann, left for Honesdale, Wayne county this morning to celebrate Mr. Hasting's 87 birthday, which falls on New Years Day. They will leave for New York the first of next week to spend the remainder of the week. Mr. Hasting is Mrs. Knight's father.

The Current Topic Club, which was recently organized in this city by Mrs. Hyde, of Washington, will resume its activities after the holidays. The first meeting in the new year will take place Monday evening, January 3, at Lee Camp Hall.

Mr. J. Ellis Norris entertained a box party at the National Theatre in Washington yesterday evening and at supper after the theatre. Mr. Norris is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Norris.

The New Year's German of the Alexandria German Club takes place this evening at the Elks' Hall. A number of out-of-town guests are expected for the affair.

A CORRECTION

The Gazette wishes to correct a statement made in its issue of yesterday, in which it said that an automobile belonging to Mrs. Sylvia de Gubatta had been stolen from the car while it was ditched on the new road between Washington and Alexandria. It should have reported the loss of two motor robes from the car instead. The robes have been recovered.

Norton, Nannie, September 17.
Owen, Ellen C. A. March 6.
Otey, Mary March 20.
Poss, Alice G. August 21.
Price, Charles S. March 14.
Payne, Annie E. March 18.
Pelton, Julius April 17.
Padgett, E. E. June 15.
Pulman, Sarah E. July 30.
Padgett, Mrs. Aubrey August 9.
Price, Elizabeth August 13.
Poss, Alice G. August 21.
Padgett, John B. September 30.
Rambo, Grace January 1.
Rodgers, William January 22.
Robinson, Emma March 21.
Robey, Frank April 13.
Reed, H. L. July 25.
Robinson, W. R. August 20.
Rudd, Mary October 31.
Rafferty, Matilda J. November 16.
Smoot, Silas January 6.
Smith, William M. January 9.
Stewart, James A. January 17.
Strider, Hugh L. January 22.
Schafe, John February 5.
Strobel, Henrietta February 14.
Swan, Sarah S. February 17.
Smith, James February 22.
Simms, G. W. March.
Schoellhorn, Louis May 21.
Summers, John W. May 24.
Spinks, Charles June 14.
Smith, Alexis July 23.
Smoot, Jennie V. August 29.
Sorrell, Mary E. September 3.
Simpson, Arthur September 7.
Sutherland, Sarah E. September 12.
Sillex, Thomas M. September 14.
Sherwood, Margaret September 23.
Scott, Mary A. October 10.
Simmons, John S. November 12.
Travers, J. C. M. March 4.
Travis, Alonzo H. May 17.
Tasloe, Wilmer July 21.
Tratgers, John W. September 17.
Thomson, Alfred H. October 12.
Underwood, Elvin May 29.
Welch, Cashery H. January 10.
Wolf, George W. January 12.
Wallace, Ida V. February 23.
Waddy, Annie March 19.
Watkins, Hannah M. March 21.
Walker, Annie E. April 19.
Wade, William L. August 14.
Worcester, Hettie August 25.
Whentley, Martha A. October 26.
Walker, Octavia November 24.
West, John December 24.
Young, Catherine C. October 24.

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THE OLD AND NEW YEAR

The sands of the year 1915 are now but few, and several hours hence, when the hands on the clock in the City Hall steeple are nearing the midnight figures, the toll of the bell will usher in the obsequies of a year memorable for its history. Like its predecessor, 1914, it has been blighted by war, and during the 365 days the planet has covered in its sidereal voyage of 600,000,000 miles around the sun, thousands—many thousands—of human beings have passed into the unknown world, either on terra firma or in Neptune's realms, or from famine, disease and frost.

While bells will be ringing in this city, at midnight, horns sounded from every section and whistles shrieking, the black cloud which has disgraced civilization for the last eighteen months will be as dense as ever—with no signs whatever of a break.

Some one has said that the future is veiled by a hand of mercy. It is well such is the case, as we would, in the language of the great apostle, be of all men most miserable, could we see what is coming upon the earth. So far, our own fair land has steered clear of the breakers and at present there is no sign of the battle god paying a visit to our shores. But who can tell what may happen before this time next year?

The ancients were told to pray for the peace of Jerusalem. The people of the United States might appropriately pray for the peace of the world. This is not to themselves, and while praying for a continuance of peace in our own land, they should pray also for the peace of the world—for the restoration of conditions existing during the early summer of 1914, when there was free intercourse between all the nations of the earth, and voyages could be made without anxiety over the probable appearance of submarines, and when sleep would overtake us in foreign inns with no fear of Zeppelins.

Conditions existing today are onerous to people of a roving disposition and who enjoy visits to other countries. To be compelled to live in a city or country which is blockaded to the remainder of the world is a hardship not realized except by such as have passed through the experience. The people of our southland were forced to stay at home during four years, while the war between the states was in progress.

The city of Alexandria was under martial law during the same period. No one could leave or enter the city without a pass from the military. There was great joy among our people when guards were removed from ferry wharves and roads and all given opportunities to go and come as they pleased.

As suggested above, we know nothing of the joys or sorrows which the coming year will bring us. The fearful war may still be in progress, while we are cutting our next Christmas trees. Let us hope, however, that the terrible spectre may have totally disappeared long before that time, and during the next holiday season we may be receiving our German toys before and that Kriss Kringle will take the place of Janus, with the latter's temple closed forever.

Then can the entire race join with the angelic choir in singing "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men."

JUST NOT WAR AGAINST BABIES.

One hundred five-pound cans of milk powder, equivalent to three tons of milk, have been packed by the citizens' committee in New York for food to be sent by registered mail to German and Austrian babies. The milk powder was shipped today by the steamer Stockholm sailing for Hamburg. The postage on the ship is \$348. The powder is sent by the parcel post to the Central Post Office, New York, and no further charges are received from the British or French to Secretary of War's request for safe conveyance.

freight of milk for babies in Austria and Germany.

The Baltimore Sun says: "We can scarcely imagine that the Allies will refuse to allow condensed milk to be sent from this country for the use of German babies. That it will not go to nourish German fighters is assured by the fact that it is to be distributed by the Red Cross. No great amount of red tape and delay is needed to settle the question. It is a very simple one, and the observance of good faith being assumed on the part of those supervising shipments in this country and those distributing the milk in Germany, there would seem to be little else to consider."

"We sincerely hope no purely technical objections will be interposed, and that we will soon be at liberty to render this peculiarly tender and appealing work of mercy, and hope so for the Allies' sake even more than for Germany's. German mothers are generally sturdy women, who do not need the aid of condensed cow's milk, and though some babies might suffer if our request is refused, there would be no Herod-like slaughter of the little ones as a consequence. Greater hate, however, would be engendered and greater strength put into the German arm. And even the best friends of the Allies would feel sorry and ashamed to see them making war on the nursing bottles of babies."

A VICTIM OF BLEASE.

In Columbia, S. C., there lie dead two persons, a woman, the victim of a murderous assault at the hands of an ex-convict, and her assailant, dead at his own hands.

The ex-convict, White, had been given a life term in the South Carolina penitentiary in 1890 for the murder of a woman. He was one of the hundreds turned loose on society by Cole Blease in 1914, when he virtually emptied the South Carolina penitentiary by an unprecedented exercise of his pardoning power.

The Richmond Virginian says: The power vested in the executive to pardon is primarily intended to enable him to rectify the errors of court and jury should, in the lapse of time it seem that justice has been administered with too heavy a hand, or a mistake was made. All human instrumentalities are fallible, and the power to pardon is a safety device. It was never intended that an executive should exercise the power indiscriminately. In the Columbia case it will be seen that a man who was a menace to society was turned loose by Blease.

CONSERVE THE SHAD.

During the past twenty years the scarcity of shad has caused anxiety. They seem to grow less each spring, and it has been realized that unless some measures are adopted to conserve this toothsome fish it will eventually become extinct. Other fish are becoming scarcer every year. The authorities of Virginia and Maryland are about to act upon this important matter, and during the forthcoming sessions of the Legislatures ways and means will be considered for protecting the fish industry of the two states. The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot in this connection says:

The Federal Commissioner of Fisheries, in his recent annual report, stresses the fact that, despite artificial propagation, American waters are becoming depleted of shad, declaring the diminution to be so marked as to present a serious problem. Shad, it is pointed out, are caught in the waters of every State along the Atlantic coast from Maine to Florida and for many years have constituted a substantial contribution to the food supply. Now the supply is being rapidly diminished, chiefly, it is asserted, because of inadequate protection afforded the fish on their way from the sea to the spawning grounds.

The matter is one in which Virginia has a direct and large interest and so should engage the serious consideration of the earliest opportunity, which will occur with the convening of the General Assembly some two weeks hence. It would probably be an exaggeration to say that danger of extinction in the near future threatens, but that the situation is becoming serious is demonstrated by the gradually reduced catches in Virginia waters, particularly in the Potomac, in recent years. The shad is one of the most important as well as one of the most delicious of all the many varieties of food fish known to the waters hereabouts, and it would be nothing short of an economic crime to permit the supply to become greatly diminished, much less exhausted, for lack of laws, properly enforced, to protect it against improvidence or rapacity. What is really needed is concerted and energetic action on the part of all the Atlantic Coast States, directed to adequate protection and conservation of the shad, and a movement to that end could not be too promptly inaugurated or too vigorously pushed. In the meantime, Virginia should not delay solution of the problem so far as her waters are concerned and so far as within her power lies. The time to secure the shad is when the fish are still within. Once the animal has escaped, no amount of fastening will avail to bring him back.

NEWS OF THE DAY

Gov. W. S. Hammond, of Minnesota, died suddenly in a hotel in Clinton, La., yesterday, from a stroke of apoplexy.

Ill health is believed to have caused John Sneckenberger, 51 years old, an organ maker, to commit suicide by hanging himself in a stairway of his home in Hagerstown, Md., yesterday.

Great numbers of prisoners in Siberia have died in epidemics due to lack of proper sanitation. In Novonikolaiev 7,000 prisoners it is said have died of typhus.

Members of Almas Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine, will erect during 1916 a \$200,000 temple in Washington as another monument to Freemasonry.

Fire of unknown origin yesterday destroyed the Crosby steamship Myack at Muskegon, Mich. William Lafayette, a watchman, is thought to have lost his life. The loss was \$100,000.

For the first time three German aeroplanes flew over Saloniki yesterday and bombarded the town. They were shelled by the allied fleet and pursued by allied aeroplanes.

A dispatch from Zurich says it is reported that Kaiser Wilhelm wrote to a member of the government asking him to initiate a movement looking toward peace negotiations.

More than 4,000,000 of the population of Poland are destitute and entirely dependent upon soup kitchens, where there is issued to each applicant a small loaf of bread and a pint of soup daily.

"I don't want to be a prophet of evil but I strongly fear that before we celebrate our centenary our independence will have been attacked by Bulgaria," said former Premier Venizelos in addressing a deputation of business men of Athens yesterday.

The Greek government was informed yesterday afternoon by the British that French troops had been landed at Castellorizo. It was stated that the French intend using the island as a base for new operations against Adalia.

Four negroes were shot and killed, two burned to death in a negro cabin, two white posse men seriously wounded and several other whites slightly hurt in a series of pitched battles yesterday near Blakeley, Ga., growing out of the killing of Henry Villipigue, a plantation overseer.

Matthew T. Schmidt, accused accomplice of the McNamara's in the destruction of the Los Angeles Times

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plant on October 1, 1910, was yesterday evening convicted of the murder of Charles Haggerty, a pressman, and the penalty fixed by the jury was life imprisonment.

Henry Muesel, general manager of the Muesel Brewing Company, and his chauffeur, Frank Chrosbot, were instantly killed and William Muesel, secretary of the company, was, it is believed, fatally injured by two masked bandits who entered the office of the company in South Bend, Ind., shortly before 6 o'clock yesterday evening.

Joe Neimrod, a negro, 17 years old, accused of attacking a white girl at Reddick, Fla., was hanged from a tree in the outskirts of the town some time Wednesday night. The body, riddled with buckshot, was found yesterday. Neimrod was captured soon after the attack. He is said to have been identified by the girl.

The executive committee of the Miners' Federation of South Wales met yesterday and unanimously adopted a resolution against "the sinister efforts of certain party politicians and a section of the press to impose conscription on the people." The resolution asks the Miners' Federation of Great Britain to call a national conference immediately to protest against any legislation for conscription.

In a new step for the preservation of peace on the American continent and the development of pan-American unity, the United States has formally invited the Latin-American republics to join in a convention to compel arbitration of boundary disputes and prohibit shipment of war munitions to revolutionaries. The proposal has for its object the preservation of peace in pan-America, that it may face the Old World free of internal dissension.

Party harmony and "everybody for Fairbanks" were the keynotes of the Republican lovefeast that was held yesterday in Indianapolis. Republicans came from all parts of the State and these two sentiments prevailed the entire assemblage. At the big meeting at the Murat Theater in the afternoon Edwin P. Morrow, of Kentucky, who made such a fine race for governor of that State at the recent election, pledged the solid support of the Republicans of that State also to Charles W. Fairbanks for the Republican nomination for President.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Norfolk is suffering from an epidemic of grippé.

News has been received in Norfolk of the death of Rev. George W. Perryman, D. D., at Winchester, Ky. Dr. Perryman was for five years pastor.

of the First Baptist Church in Norfolk.

Charles Spurgeon Rowe, son of Mayor J. P. Rowe, of Fredericksburg, was instantly killed by being run over by a Norfolk and Western shifting engine in the Hopewell yards Wednesday morning as he was going to work in the Dupont plant, where he was employed as a chemist.

Fire of unknown origin, destroyed a stable and burned two horses to death Wednesday night in Lafayette Park, near Norfolk. Park Policeman E. B. Smith, who discovered the fire, says he saw two men run from the building and one of them opened fire on him. One of the bullets struck Smith in the left arm.

Members of the Republican State committee headed by State Chairman C. Bascomb Slomp, member of Congress from the Ninth district, assembled in Roanoke yesterday. Roanoke was selected over Richmond, Lynchburg, and other cities for the State Republican convention, which will be held March 29, to select six delegates to the Republican national convention at Chicago, in June.

Fire, which broke out on the upper floor of Sullins college, the Methodist school for girls, at Bristol, at 12:30 o'clock this morning, spread rapidly to all parts of the buildings, and within an hour the institution was practically a mass of ruins. The girls were nearly all away for the holiday season, and the few remaining escaped without difficulty. The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

Hattie Long, the 20 year old daughter of T. Long, of Danville, was taken to the hospital Wednesday night with a bullet through her eye, which she received while her little brother was playing nearby with a small caliber rifle. Apparently the little boy did not know the gun was loaded, and it suddenly exploded, while Hattie was watching him. The ball was located in the head, but at the hospital it was said there was little chance of her recovering.

An enterprising "movie" man got a distinct shock yesterday in a cleverly devised attempt to "get" President Wilson and Mrs. Wilson while they were playing a round of golf at Hot Springs. The camera expert, with his apparatus, had quietly crept himself beneath the floor of a cabin, located just off the golf course, and had everything in readiness to get a dandy reel or two of the President and his bride. One of the guards detected the operator, and rushed over to the cabin suppressed the stunt just as the operator was prepared to grind out the film.

The body of a negro, which has been identified as that of Daniel White, of Swift Creek, was found upon the track of the Richmond and Petersburg Electric Railway by the crew in charge of the car leaving Richmond at 9 o'clock Wednesday Night. An examination showed that the man had been stabbed and it is believed that the body was placed on the tracks to hide the crime. A short distance from the point where the body was found two negro men boarded the

car, and their actions were of such a suspicious nature that they were placed under arrest.

Officers of the Bonsack Machine Company in Lynchburg, have been served with process in a suit instituted in the Roanoke county Circuit Court at Salem by the State of Virginia and the county and town of Salem, for back taxes aggregating \$71,000 from 1908 to 1914. The suit asks that the company be required to disclose capitalization for the years 1909 to 1907, inclusive, for taxation. The plaintiffs ask further for an injunction to restrain the dissolving of the company, which has its home office in Salem, until the settlement of the suit.

The cure and prevention of colds, according to the Virginia Health Department, is the same, to keep the bodily resistance high. A person catches cold only when the resistance is below normal, says the department's latest bulletin. The way to cure a cold, or to prevent it, is to stay in the fresh air as much as possible, eat nourishing food, keep regular hours and get good sleep. The department describes the bronchial tubes,

nose and throat as the soil and the germs as the seed. The reason for so many colds at this season of the year, it says, is the lowering of bodily resistance through the use of alcohol, and loss of sleep.

Friends of Harry St. George Tucker, former Congressman, who was a candidate for Governor against W. H. Man, are endeavoring to have him enter the race for the gubernatorial nomination, according to rumors in Richmond. It is declared that Mr. Tucker has not as yet indicated whether or not he will enter the race, and it is expected that some definite statement will be made by him before long. There are now in the race for the nomination for Governor, three candidates—Attorney-General John Garland Pollard, Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Ellison and Westmoreland Davis.

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Petersburg, Va., Dec. 31.—While attempting to arrest two men last night who had grossly insulted Mrs. W. H. Tipton, of Chesterfield county, Police Officer Thomas M. Evans was cut severely over the right temple and almost knocked senseless with a blackjack by them.

Mrs. Tipton was standing on Old Market Square, when the men approached and insulted her. Seeing Officer Evans, who was in plain clothes and not on duty, she appealed to him for protection. Evans told the men he was a police officer, and put them under arrest. Without a moment's notice one of the men struck Evans, on the head with a blackjack and the other struck at him with a knife, cutting him on the right side of the temple, and almost cutting his right ear off. They ran, making their escape.

Later Thomas Spillman was arrested, and when taken before Mrs. Tipton was positively identified by her as being one of the men who insulted her. Evans was taken into the hospital, and is reported to be resting comfortably.

MOTHER BURNS TO DEATH.

Attempts to Rekindle Fire With Kerosene, Loses Life and Injures Her Infant.

Elizabeth City, N. C. Dec. 31.—Mrs. John Simonds is dead and her six-months-old baby is badly burned as the result of a kerosene explosion in the Simonds' home yesterday morning.

Mrs. Simonds attempted to rekindle a fire with kerosene oil when flames shot up from the stove, igniting the can in her hand. It exploded, the burning oil splattering all over her body and her baby, which was in a crib a short distance from the stove.

Abner Ayldett, passing the Simonds home at the time, rushed in the room and pulled Mrs. Simonds to the street. He returned a second time to the burning room and rescued the baby. Mrs. Simonds, who was horribly burned, lived until 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Alexander Edan died at his residence in Braddock, Alexandria county, this morning at 9:45 o'clock.

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PARTY GOES TO DENMARK

Puzzled to Know How Ford Voyagers Reach The Hague.

Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 31.—Occupying a special train, the Ford peace expedition left yesterday for Copenhagen, where it is due today. The managers of the party are still perplexed as to how it shall proceed later to The Hague, but hope to make arrangements in Copenhagen, where the members will remain probably for a week.

It is regarded as improbable that the route will lie through German territory, especially as the State Department refuses to extend the passports of the delegates so as to permit them to visit belligerent countries, it is said. The only hope along this line is in Germany granting permission or a special train to be rushed through without stopping. Otherwise an endeavor will be made to charter a vessel for the trip, although there is objection to this as unsafe.

The executive committee cabled to Henry Ford today that sympathy for the peace movement was growing in neutral countries. The message said that Sweden, although withholding official recognition from the movement, was heartily supporting it.

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The 47th annual meeting of the Independent Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Fairfax Co., Va., will be held at the company's office, Royal and Prince streets, Alexandria, Va., on Monday, January 10th, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the election of officers and the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting.

WALTER ROBERTS, President.

MONEY TO LOAN—\$2,500 or portion of same, on city property. Howard W. Smith, 107 North Fairfax street.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Alexandria National Bank will be held at No. 123 South Royal Street, Alexandria, Va., January 11th, 1916, at 10 o'clock.

Charles D. Walcott, President
A. M. McLachlen, Secretary.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ontario Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year will be held at No. 123 South Royal street, Alexandria, Va., January 11th, 1916, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

Charles D. Walcott, President.
A. M. McLachlen, Secretary.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the McLachlen Banking Corporation for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business, will be held at No. 123 South Royal Street, Alexandria, Va., January 11th, 1916, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

A. M. McLACHLEN, President.
L. P. McLACHLEN, Secretary.

ALEXANDRIA NATIONAL BANK
ALEXANDRIA, VA., December 11, 1915.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, the 11th day of January 1916, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 2 p. m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

J. L. PERRY, Cashier.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Alexandria, Va., December 10th, 1915
The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at the banking house on January 11th, 1916, at 11 a. m. for the election of Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier.

WANTED—Antique, square and upright pianos, Hugo Worch, No. 1110 G street, Washington, D. C.

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As the year 1915 draws to a close and we review the months that have passed by we are mindful of the courtesies and patronage of our constantly increasing number of customers, of their many expressions of good will and confidence in us, and we therefore take this opportunity of extending them the compliments of the season and wishing them a VERY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

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Accommodation for Fredericksburg at 9:27 a. m. daily.

NOTE—Time of arrival and departure and connections not guaranteed.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the District of Columbia Paper Mfg. Co., will be held at the principal office of the Company, No. 111 S. Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia, from 12:00 o'clock M., to 1 p. m. on Monday, January 17th, to elect officers for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

G. L. NICOLSON, President.

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THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK, of Alexandria, Va., December 11, 1915.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on TUESDAY, the 11th day of JANUARY, 1916, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 p. m. for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

RICHARD M. GREEN, Cashier.

Stockholders Meeting of the American Rutile Company of Virginia.

The annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the American Rutile Co., will be held at the office of the Company, No. 111 south Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, on Monday the 3rd of January, 1916, from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock p. m., for the election of directors, and for the transaction of such other business as can be lawfully considered.

The transfer books will be closed for 10 days prior to the 3rd day of January.

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Trains leave Union Station, Alexandria.

7:37 A. M. Daily—Local between Washington & Danville, delivers connection daily except Sunday at Orange to C. & O. No. 403 for Gordonsville & Richmond.

8:47 A. M. Daily—Local for Harrisonburg and way stations. Buffet parlor car.

8:17 A. M. Daily—Mail train, coaches for Manassas, Warrenton, Orange, Lynchburg, Greensboro and Charlotte.

10:22 A. M. Daily—U. S. Fast Mail stops only for passengers to points at which scheduled to stop: Coaches and Sleeping cars to Atlanta, New Orleans, Birmingham, Sleeping car Salisbury to Asheville, coaches for Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville, Greensboro, and Charlotte.

4:22 p. m. daily—Local for Charlottesville connecting at Calverton for Warrenton.

4:57 P. M. Daily—Birmingham special Sleeping car between New York, Atlanta, Anniston, Birmingham, ham, and Augusta. Through first class coaches between Washington, Atlanta and Birmingham. Dining car service.

4:02 P. M. Local for Harrisonburg and way stations on Manassas branch. Pullman Buffet parlor cars.

7:17 P. M. Daily—Augusta Special. Through train with sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Through Sleeping cars to Asheville.

10:03 P. M. Daily—Washington and Chattanooga Limited (via Lynchburg). First class coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Memphis. Dining car service. Washington sleeping cars open 10 p. m.

For detailed schedule figures tickets reservations, etc., apply to

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LOST—An English Setter, white, with one black ear. Answers to the name of Rex. Name and address on collar. Liberal reward if returned to F. Williams, 1813 R. Street, northwest, Washington, Phone 59 or notify Alexandria Gazette.

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